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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C., 20231

Dear Sir:

This election is responsive to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement mailed February 4, 2002, for which a thirty day period for response expired on March 4, 2002. Filed herewith is a petition requesting a one-month extension pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, extending the period of response until April 4, 2002.

In that Office Action, pending claims 1-21 were restricted as follows:

Group I (claims 1-12), drawn to polypeptides, classified in class 530, subclass 350;

Group II (claims 13, 14 and 21), drawn to a nucleic acid and a host cell, classified in class 536, subclass 23.5 and class 435, subclass 325;

Group III (claims 15 and 16), drawn to a method for inhibiting tumor cell growth, classified in class 514, subclass2;

Group IV (claims 17-19), drawn to an antibody, classified in class 530, subclass 387.9; and

Group V (claim 20), drawn to a method for reducing natural killer cell mediated rejection of a bone marrow graft, classified in class 514, subclass 2.

Applicant provisionally elects Group I (claims 1-12) for further prosecution.

Should any additional issues need to be resolved, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attempt to resolve these issues.

Date: April 4, 2002

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